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BRUN LOND ANNA ADDT BERN MADE ANKA ALGI BONN PARI
 XUNI BACH KIAR LISB COPE NASO SEIR LEOP NEXT FROM NEWD
 DAMA RABA NOBI HAGU VIEN DARI TPLI SAGO HEID ATER JIDD
 TUIS CYRU TENE CNBR OSLO CAIR BOGA PACY GHVA BONE PRAN

PERSAND

NEAR EAST - AFRICA BRIEF

(INFOBORN IN SLANTS. REMAINING INFO RELEASABLE TO LIAISON.)

1. SAUDI ARABIA: //THE DISPUTE BETWEEN KING SAUD AND CROWN PRINCE FAYDAL IS NOT YET RESOLVED, BUT FAYDAL APPEARS TO BE WORKING OUT THE CRISIS. THE DISPUTE CENTERS AROUND KING SAUD'S ATTEMPT TO RESUME PERSONAL CONTROL OF THE GOVERNMENT, WHICH HIS BROTHERS FORCED HIM TO TURN OVER TO FAYDAL A YEAR AGO. THE DISPUTE ISSUES RECENTLY REPORTED TO BE THE NEW BUDGET, WHICH REDUCES MONEY ALLOTTED TO THE ROYAL FAMILY, AND FAYDAL'S REFUSAL TO GIVE CABINET POSTS TO TWO OF SAUD'S SONS.//

//THE PRESENT DIFFICULTIES BEGAN EARLIER THIS MONTH WHEN SAUD WROTE FAYDAL A LETTER WHICH IN EFFECT REMOVED FAYDAL FROM HIS POST AS PRIME MINISTER. FAYDAL REFUSED TO STEP DOWN APPARENTLY WITH THE FULL SUPPORT OF HIS AND THE KING'S BROTHERS, WHO ARE THE MOST IMPORTANT MEMBERS OF THE ROYAL FAMILY.//

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FATHER APPEARS MOST ANXIOUS TO AVOID AN OPEN BREAK WITH THE KING SINCE THIS COULD FURTHER DAMAGE THE POSITION OF THE MONARCHY. HE HAS REPORTEDLY REJECTED THE SUGGESTION OF SOME MEMBERS THAT THE KING BE ASSASSINATED OR FORCED TO RESIGN. SAUD ORDERED THE ROYAL GUARD TO SURROUND HIS PALACE, REPORTEDLY BECAUSE HE FEARED HIS BROTHERS MIGHT TRY TO KILL HIM. (CONF)

2. YEMEN: THE REPUBLICAN REGIME CONTINUES TO BE RIVEN WITH DISSENSION. LAST WEEK THE PRESIDENTIAL AND EXECUTIVE COUNCIL RESIGNED, REPORTEDLY BECAUSE OF "GENERAL DISSENT" OVER EGYPTIAN INTERFERENCE. PRESIDENT SALLAL IS STILL IN CAIRO AND PRO-EGYPTIAN VICE PRESIDENT AL-AMRI IS RUNNING THE COUNTRY.

END OF MESSAGE

James W. [Signature]
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